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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. FOR THE AMBASSADOR: I SPOKE TO ART WORTZEL ABOUT YOUR HEARINGS. ART SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL DECIDE IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO WHETHER IT WISHES TO HAVE YOU APPEAR. IT IS NOT A FOREGONE CONCLUSION THAT YOU WILL HAVE TO APPEAR SINCE YOU HAVE BEEN UP THERE SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE. IF YOU ARE NOT ANXIOUS TO HAVE A HEARING ART THINKS IT WOULD BE BEST NOT TO TELL THEM THAT YOU WILL BE IN TOWN, SINCE IF THEY FIND OUT YOU ARE HERE THEY WILL PROBABLY ASK THAT YOU COME UP. UNLESS WE HEAR FROM YOU TO THE CONTRARY, ART WILL PLAN SIMPLY TO WAIT TO HEAR FROM THE COMMITTEE WHICH WILL PROBABLY HAPPEN BEFORE YOU GET BACK IN ANY CASE.

2. DOES EMBASSY HAVE INTEREST IN RECEIVING SCC CABLES WHEN COMMISSION IS IN SESSION IN GENEVA?

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3. WE PLAN TO SEND LEN WILLEMS TO THE MAY 13-17 CONSULAR CONFERENCE IN VIENNA, THEN HAVE HIM PROCEED TO MOSCOW MAY 18 AND SPEND FIVE WORKING DAYS IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD. PLEASE ASK CLIFF GROSS AND THE CONSULAR SECTION (OR ANYONE ELSE, FOR THAT MATTER) IF THERE IS ANYTHING HE CAN CHECK ON OR DO HERE FOR THEM BEFORE LEAVING. VANCE

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